

# THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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### JESUS KNOWS HIS OWN

Don't Become Discouraged and Give Up

MIDDLESBORO, Ky.—This morning finds me praising God for His wonderful love and mercies to His children everywhere. He is a real friend to me. Over fourteen years ago the good Lord found me in this dark world. He saved, sanctified me and baptized me with the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4.

He also heals our bodies when we get sick. We take Jesus at His word. He says He never will forsake us nor leave us alone. We have been trusting the Lord for our healing for over thirteen years and He never has failed us. We have three children who don't know the taste of medicine. Their ages are thirteen, ten and eight years. All have been healed by the Lord many times. We have gone thru some very serious tests but God has delivered us out of them all. Bless His name.

I am not able with paper and pen to tell what wonderful things Jesus has done for His saints and others at this place. Husband and I enlisted in this warfare for Jesus fourteen years ago and expect to enter the pearly gates standing for the full Gospel of Jesus Christ with signs following believers. Many other doctrines have come this way, but Jesus said His sheep would know His voice and a stranger's they would not follow. Many strangers have passed and said, come. Some lambs have followed a while but the hireling did not feed them, and they came back to the good shepherd. We praise God for the gentle voice of Jesus and for the Holy Ghost to guide His children in the way of all truth and right, also for the band of true saints who believe in the great Church of God. Our eyes are on the mountain top, we're running for our lives. Pray for us. Dear saints don't give up when you are cast down for Jesus knows His own and you are not forsaken.

We have a good Sunday School and good cottage prayer meetings with the sick and feeble who can't go out. The Lord is blessing His own. We have many who meet and worship but do not belong to the Church of God. They seem to love the truth and we long to see them under the shelter of God's fold. Pray that my body may be stronger.—Mrs. Chas. Eversly, R. 1, box 231.

### A HAPPY HOME

MARKS, Miss.—I praise the dear Lord for what He has done for me. On the 14th night of February 1927 the dear Lord saved, sanctified and filled me with the blessed Holy Ghost. I can never praise Him enough for what He has done for me and my family.

My husband has had the Holy Ghost almost two years, my little boy thirteen years old has had the Holy Ghost two years and trusts the Lord for both soul and body. About three weeks ago he had a real bad spell of tonsillitis. For over a week it seemed as if he must go but we just held on to God until he was healed. We give God the glory. My baby boy also had tonsillitis and the Lord healed him. All of my family at home have the Holy Ghost and you know we have a happy home.

I want all the saints to pray that my unsaved married daughter might receive the blessing before it is too late. She has been seeking the blessing for some time. I am so glad the Lord saw fit to show me this good way. There is nothing in this world for us to stay in sin for. Brother Wright brought the Word to us two years ago and praise God for the seed being sown on good ground. I want everyone to pray for me that I might stay ready and be an humble worker till Jesus comes or calls.—Mrs. J. D. Williams.

### REPORT

On the night of the 10th of July began a series of meetings. Brother Bun E. Hicks did most of the preaching. Brother Ross Bordon assisted. Four were saved, one sanctified and received the Holy Ghost. Only had one service a day but God wonderfully blessed.—Mrs. Amelia Shumaker.

### GOOD MEETING IN HOUSTON COUNTY

I have just closed a two weeks meeting about eleven miles from Crockett. The Lord began to work in the first service. Twenty-two received the Holy Ghost, eleven were sanctified and thirty-three came into the church. Twenty-seven were baptized in water.

There were old men of this place who said they had never experienced such a meeting before. The M. E. Baptist, Pentecostal and all denominations just came right into the Church. The people surely are looking toward the Church. The Allbright Chapel helped in the meeting. They are surely on fire for God. Brother Will Moore picked the guitar and Brother George Moore led the singing.

We had with us Brother S. J. Wood and son, Eulas, Brother Davis and Brother Jack Cockrell of Weatherford, Texas. Brother Woods preached the last sermons of the meeting. He also set the church in order and did the baptizing. Pray much for this place and also pray that God will have His way in my life.—Minnie French, pastor.

### REVIVAL A GREAT SUCCESS

LAKE WALES, Fla.—We have just closed a revival of five weeks with wonderful success. Many souls wept their way thru to Calvary and claimed the sanctifying power of the blood. The devil was made mad and the saints were made glad and we praise the Lord for His goodness to the children of men.

There were twenty-two saved, fifteen sanctified and thirteen received the promise of the Father, the Holy Ghost, and when He came He testified for Himself. Eleven came into the church and ten followed the Lord in water baptism. There are still more looking this way.

Brother I. H. Marks and Brother E. E. Simmons preached some for us but Brother Burl Sumner did most of the preaching. The Lord surely did bless him in giving out the Word. Brother Norman received the Holy Ghost. He had been seeking for about three years. Praise the Lord. We are still looking for the Lord to do greater work here yet. Let everybody pray to this end.—E. L. Hicks, pastor, R. A box 513.

### STAND FAST

ARDMORE, Okla.—We as a few are still standing for the truth and right with the Church of God and are made to believe it is the gateway to Heaven. We hold it up and take courage though some have become faint hearted and have gone out from us; some are in doubt, thinking it strange that we don't fellowship every spirit but we believe in trying the spirits. Not every one that says Lord, Lord shall enter in, but he that doeth the will of the Father. It is the will of the Father, even your sanctification for both he that sanctifieth and he that is sanctified are one for which cause I am not ashamed to call them brethren.

We thank God for the brethren, especially our Overseer, Brother Williams. He gave us three nights service which was enjoyed by all who were present. He admonished us to stand fast and take courage and we were made to believe we were in the last days and are looking for the soon coming of Jesus.

We had one thirty nights continued prayer meeting. One sister received the Holy Ghost and one came into the church. The sick are being prayed for and some being healed. One sister, seventy-six, danced under the power. It is truly wonderful what the Lord will do when people will let Him. We have got the devil to fight and he is a monster. Saints, don't forget us for we earnestly covet your prayers that we may grow stronger, keep in the center of His will, bear one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ. Pray that the Lord will give us a revival at this place as the harvest is white and the laborers few. Let us stand fast wherewith we are called and not be entangled again with the yoke of bondage. God forbid.—A. T. Silkwood.

### THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES

Memorial and Prophetic

F. J. Lee, General Overseer.

These are the feasts of the Lord, even holy convocations, which ye shall proclaim in their seasons.

The Feast of Tabernacles is both memorial and prophetic. It is memorial as to redemption out of Egypt. Leviticus 23:41 says, Ye shall keep it a feast unto the Lord seven days in the year. It shall be a statute forever in your generations: ye shall celebrate it in the seventh month, that your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt.—V. 43.

It was strictly a seven day feast. During the seven days the Israelites were commanded to dwell in booths formed of boughs of trees. These were taken from the olive, palm, pine, myrtle and other trees of thick foliage. They left their home and abode within these booths. This was in memory of the time the Lord led them through the wilderness to Canaan's land.

The offerings at this time were more numerous than at any other festivals. There were offered on each day two rams, fourteen lambs and a kid for a sin offering. (Smith's dictionary.)

The camp must have been a gay spectacle with the lamps, the flambeaux. The music, and the joyous gatherings in the court of the temple must have given a still more festive character to the night.

The main purposes of this feast were to offer thanksgiving for the harvest and commemorate the time of their dwelling in booths in the wilderness. In one of its meanings it stands in connection with the Passover, as the feast of Abib and commemorates their freedom from the tyrannical rule of Egypt. It isn't any wonder that they rejoiced in their liberty and in the good things from God's bountiful hand because of such a wonderful deliverance.

This feast was also prophetic of the good things they shall enjoy during the Millennium. They will then have gathered from among the nations and shall enjoy the harvest of fruits and grain, also the rest from their wanderings not in Egypt but within the nations of the world of which Egypt is a type.

Aspect of the Country Changed  
At this time the Feast of Tabernacles will be resumed as a memorial. See Zech. 14:16-21. But at this time not the Jews alone shall keep it but all nations. Read, And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came up against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the FEASTS OF TABERNACLES.

And it shall be that whoso will not come of all the families of the earth

unto Jerusalem to worship the King, the Lord of hosts even upon them shall be no rain.

And if the family of Egypt go not up, and come not, that have no rain; there shall be the plague, wherewith the Lord shall smite the heathen that came not up to keep the FEAST OF TABERNACLES.

This shall be the punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of all nations that come not up to keep the FEAST OF TABERNACLES.

In that day shall there be upon the bells of the horses, HOLINESS UNTO THE LORD; and the pots in the Lord's house shall be like the bowls before the altar.

The nations will be forced to be represented in Jerusalem to worship the Lord. Here is where they are to be ruled as with a rod of iron. They will have a great feast of which the Jewish Feast of Tabernacles is only a type. The nations will rejoice for deliverance from the tyrannical rule of the antichrist. They shall rejoice for the abundant harvest in the Millennium days.

These will be glorious days. The aspect of the country will be changed by an earthquake. There is to be a great valley formed reaching to Azal. Since the southern limit of the valley which is the scene of the destruction of the antichrist's armies reaches to Bozrah, Azal must be near this location. At this time the Mount of Olives will move.

Forced to Keep Feast of Tabernacles

Instead of there being so much mountainous country near Jerusalem there will be some level territory. There is to be a broad location for the Millennium temple. There will need to be a great deal of territory to accommodate the nations that go there to sacrifice and to keep the Feast of Tabernacles. Some will doubtless raise objection, saying that the crucifixion of Christ ended the days of sacrifice. This is not true, since the Feasts of Tabernacles will be kept during the Millennium, so also will other sacrifices be kept as a memorial looking back to Jesus Christ as the central sacrifice for all men, yet some sacrifices will be dropped off.

The Jews will dwell safely under their own vine and fig tree. The nations will enjoy sweet rest from wars, pestilences, confusion, commotions, earthquakes, floods, hurricanes, etc.

Business will continue, inventions will continue thru the entire Millennium. Many people living today remember the days of tallow candles, the old fashion spinning wheel, the donkey cart, bake oven and many other out of date implements of every day usage. See what it is today. Electric lights, electric stoves, automobiles. (Continued on page two)

### WE ARE CHILDREN OF LIGHT

PIKE FORK, W. Va.—My soul is filled with the sunshine of Jesus, as bright and clear as the sunshine in the sky. We are all children of the day, not children of the darkness or night. I am today many miles from my loved ones, in the hills of W. Va., preaching this Gospel of Light. I am trying by the Lord's help to bring people to a real understanding of His precious word of truth.

I am holding a meeting at a place called Pike Fork, W. Va., surrounded by beautiful hills on every side and it seems sometimes like the hills echo on the message of the soon coming of Jesus. Many precious souls are looking this way. They want a clean way so this is the right way because God's word says it is "The Highway of Holiness." I am travelling this highway. Pray for this place that God's word may be sown in good ground here and bring forth fruit unto repentance. Also pray for my family that my children may be saved. My husband, little ten year old boy and myself are living this way. My three grown children believe but are not saved. Pray for them. A daughter in the Master's vineyard.—Mollie V. Hartman.

### GREAT VICTORY At WHITESIDE

Unity Prevails in the Church Now

WHITESIDE, Tenn.—We have just closed a three weeks revival in Whiteside in which the Lord gave great victory. Fifty-two were saved, eighteen sanctified, eight received the Holy Ghost, twenty-three baptized in water and nineteen came into the Church of God.

The house was filled to its capacity every night, also large crowds on the outside. There was hardly standing room near the church. The Lord wonderfully blessed in this meeting and folks were healed. One girl was healed whose shoulder was out of place, and the doctor had given her up, said he could do her no good. The case of T. B. was healed and one sister with pella.

Sister Austin of North Chattanooga did most of the preaching, assisted by C. C. Gouger and the writer. The Lord wonderfully blessed Sister Austin's labor in the service. The church known as the Original Church of God united with the Church of God. Now we are one in the Lord and in His great church. For all this we are thanking the Lord. There is great unity now in the Church of God at Whiteside.

We are planning to enlarge our church building in the near future as it wasn't half large enough during the revival. If you want a blessing from the Lord and want to feel at home, come to Whiteside. After such a hard struggle, the church is rising and shining.—T. M. Basham.

### Victory at Lancaster, O.

A three weeks meeting has just closed at this place. The Lord blessed and a number of souls found Jesus precious to their hungry hearts. Nine were saved, eight sanctified, eight received the Holy Ghost, five were baptized in water and four added to the church.

We had the privilege of having our state evangelist, Sister Helen Morrow of Columbus, Ohio with us. She did the preaching and the church faithfully stood by her with their prayers and presence. Sister Morrow is an able evangelist. She has a broad experience in running old time revivals. Her preaching was very instructive. For theology and historical facts and points she is well posted and makes her sermons interesting to all. She served in the World War as a Red Cross nurse and afterwards has been converted and is giving her time to the ministry of God and the salvation of souls. No one will make a mistake in securing her for an old time revival.

We feel encouraged about the work here. There are some true blue, honest hearted saints at Lancaster and we are expecting greater things at this place. We desire the prayers

### DON'T FIGHT GOD

KEYSER, W. Va.—I am truly glad to say I am still saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and on the firing line for God and His great church. I have been a member of the Church of God for two years and the way grows brighter every day. My membership is at Petersburg, W. Va., but God has called me to preach His word and I am at Keyser. This is a new field, have had two weeks service and the Lord has truly blessed here.

I preached one week, beginning on Sunday night and on the following Sunday night there were eight saved and two sanctified. I was invited to this place by a Christian minister and was in a Christian Church. On Sunday night I asked how many were willing to stand for the Church of God and nearly all of his members took their stand for God and His church. The Christian minister got up and rebelled against me and denounced me and the Church of God. He said he wouldn't stand for it. He reached me his hand and said, "we are two forever." I just took my handkerchief, wiped the dust off my feet, laid it on the altar and said, "good-bye." Two sisters did likewise.

Monday night he preached against the Church of God and after he went home about two o'clock, God woke him up and spoke to him. I went home Monday but he sent me a telegram to come at once and pray for him. The Lord told me not to be in any hurry. The next night they came for me in a car but I had gone to the country to be in service and they did not find me. The next day when I came home I began to feel like the Lord wanted me to go back to Keyser, so I got ready and started. I soon met another car coming for me. They said the devil was dragging the minister over the coals of hell.

About two hundred people witnessed this horrible scene. For three days and almost three nights he railed and said, "I am lost, lost, lost. I have laid my hand on God." He became blind and would run into the walls of the room. He warned all the people who witnessed his condition, never to lay their hand on the Church of God for it was the only Church. I arrived at his place about nine o'clock. He fell on his knees and said, "I am lost, I am lost, I am lost, pray for me." We knelt around him, prayed and laid hands on him and God cast the devils out of him. He fell to the floor as tho a dead man and was speechless. When he came to himself, darkness was gone and he began to confess. He then took his stand for the Church of God and turned the church over to me. We are having a wonderful time with God. Nineteen have been saved so far and several sanctified. The building would not hold near all the people. The place for miles around was stirred on account of this incident.

Dear readers don't fight God. If you don't understand, just hold your peace for this truly was an awful scene. Pray much for me to stay humble at the feet of Jesus.—J. M. Kile, Petersburg, W. Va.

### Shouts of Victory Ringing Loud

The Arkansas State Convention closed Sunday night July 31st with the shouts of victory ringing loud. We can truly say this was the best convention held in the state. God's power, glory and unity of the Spirit were some of the main features. Brother J. A. McCullar will give full report of the convention. We are looking forward to a good State Camp Meeting at Little Red eight miles east of Pangburn, Ark., on the M. N. A. R. R.

Come and let's go and enjoy a ten days feast with the Lord and His children. Everybody welcome. Trains will be met. We are expecting God's glory and power to rest upon this Camp Meeting. Come to Pangburn, Ark. House to camp in near the ground.—Jesse Danehower, State Overseer.

of God's people that God will bless and save many more souls here.—R. E. Hamilton, pastor.



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## THE HEAVENLY INHERITANCE

Of all the causes which may be adduced to account for the indifference which is so generally manifested towards those great concerns of eternity in which men are so interested is the mystery of unbelief which takes hold on some men's hearts, hindering repentance, a heaven to win, and though they give their assent to both these truths, they never impress it on their minds. It is plain that whatever their lips may confess, they never believe with their lips, otherwise some effect would have been produced in their lives. The germ of unbelief is within, and discovers itself in all that indifference which is displayed in the majority of that class of beings whose existence is to be perpetuated throughout eternity. If these thoughts sometimes obscure themselves on their serious attention, they are immediately banished from their minds. The dying exclamation of Moses may be taken up with tears by every lover of perishing sinners. O! that they were wise and understood this, that they would consider their latter end.

When God, by His prophet Isaiah, called the Israelites to a sense of their awful departure from Him, His language was, "My people do not know! My people do not consider!" How few there are who "ponder these things in their heart" who are willing to look at themselves, to pry into eternity, to put the question home.

"Shall I be with the dam'd last out. Or numbered with the bliss?"

While we attempt to point out some of the privileges of the sons of God, O may your hearts catch the strong desire to be conformed to the living Head, that so an abundant entrance may be administered unto you also into the everlasting Kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The privilege to which our text leads us is exclusively applicable to those to whom that question had been cloved by the Spirit of God, those who have believed to the saving of their souls, who have experienced redemption through His blood and forgiveness of sins, and who are walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost.

The state to which we look forward, the everlasting Kingdom of our Lord and Savior. To sum up the grace of God, we have the new birth and baptism with the Holy Spirit. In other words, the Kingdom of God set up in the heart. For the Kingdom of God is not meat and drink, but righteousness and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost. It is a Kingdom. By this figurative expression our Lord has described the state of grace here and the glory hereafter; our happiness in time and our happiness in eternity. They are wisely so called. Jesus has said, as well as done, all things well; for these two states differ not in kind but in degree. The one is merely a preparation for the other and he who has been a subject of the former Kingdom will be a subject of the latter. In the idea of a Kingdom it is implied that in some part of its extent there is the residence of a sovereign, for this is essential to constitute it. Now in the Kingdom of grace the heart of the believer is made the residence of the King invisible. "Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you?" Such know what that promise means. "I will dwell in them and they shall be my people." St. Paul exultingly cries, "Christ liveth in me." To the subjects of the Kingdom of grace, Christ imparts His kingly protection. "No weapon formed against them shall prosper." Nay He imparts to them of His royal bounty, and they

enjoy all the blessings of an inward heaven. How great the perfection of the Kingdom of glory mentioned in our text. How much more glorious is His temple above, how splendid the court of heaven.

There, indeed He fixes His throne and they see Him as He is. He reigns there forever over them. He calls them to participate in all the joys, the spiritual joys, the spiritual joys which are at His right hand. Yet after all our description of that glory it is not yet in its fullness. Who would not hail such a Savior? Who would not desire to be swayed by such a Prince of Peace? Whose heart would not be touched with the affections of our poet? O that with yonder sacred throng, we at His feet may fall. But it is an everlasting Kingdom. Here it rises in the scale of comparison. Weigh the Kingdoms of this world in the balances, and they are found wanting; for on many we read their fatal history, and we long to see them branded with the writing of the invisible agent. "The Kingdom is taken from thee, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof." "For the Kingdoms of our Lord and Christ." They will be absorbed and swallowed up in the fullness of eternity. Everything here is perishable. The towering diadem of Caesar has fallen from his head and crumbled into dust. And that Kingdom whose scepter once swayed the world, betwixt whose colossal strides all nations were glad to creep to find for themselves dishonored graves, is now forgotten, or if its recollection be preserved, it's history is called "The Decline, and Fall."

We know this life is mortal, it's nature is decay. It was born with man, and when the generation of men

shall cease to exist, it will cease also. "Time shall be no longer." We know concerning these that, "all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth and the flower fadeth, but the word of the Lord endureth forever." Yes, His Kingdom is an everlasting Kingdom. Glory cannot corrupt. The crown of glory cannot fade. Why? Death will be destroyed. Christ will put this last enemy under His feet, and all will then be eternal life.

It is the everlasting Kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. It is His by claim. "Yes, Him hath He appointed to be the Judge of quick and dead." For by the sufferings of death He was made a little lower than the angels, yet immediately after His resurrection He declares that now all power is given unto Him in heaven and in earth. The Father hath committed all judgment unto the Son, and He has now the disposal of the offices and privileges of the empire among His faithful followers.

The true Christian does not seek to hide himself in a corner, he lets his light shine before men whether they will receive it or not. And thereby is His Father glorified. God hath sent the Holy Ghost into your hearts. And that he that believeth hath the witness in himself, in whatever light a sinner may view this doctrine now the time will come when being found without the wedding garment, he will be cast into outer darkness.

O sinner! cry to God this day to convince you of your need of this salvation, and then you will be in a condition to receive it.

To Him shall earth and hell submit, And every knee shall fall; Till death expires beneath His feet, And God is all in all.—Mrs. A. L. Edson Brown, Floral City, Fla.

## NOTICES

A revival will begin at Morgantown, Miss., Sept. 3rd. Brother Cecil Simms in charge.—R. E. Blackwood, Kentwood, La.

By the order of the State Overseer and sanctioned by the General Overseer, the church at Pelzer, S. C. is disbanded. The loyal members standing true have been transferred to other churches.—F. J. Lee.

The General Secretary is sending report blanks to all the church clerks. These blanks are for the purpose of making the annual report of the Church to the Assembly. These should be filled out in conference.

Please attend to this at once, they should be returned to headquarters not later than the 25th of Sept.

There will be all day meeting at Lafayette, Ga., Sept. 11th in our new church building. The Lord's Supper and feet washing will be observed. Everybody invited. Brother Burk, our district Overseer, will be here and others also. Be sure and come. Dinner on the ground.—John W. Devlin, Shaw, Ga.

WANTED—A good Church of God Evangelist to run a meeting at this place. It is a fine place and is a new field. It is thickly settled and good work can be done if the right steps are taken. Anyone who will come with good music and singing, won't be sorry. Just come and make my home your home and we will see that other means are furnished.

Our nearest church is Perry, Fla., twenty miles. We belong to the Church and there are three of us who have the Holy Ghost. Would be glad to hear from some one who would love to come and start the joy bells ringing here. Will write to any one who wants to come. We surely do need a good church. We will help in any way we can. This is a good time to come as people are idle now. Hope to hear from some one at once.—C. B. Arnold, R. F. D. 3, Greenville, Fla.

To the ministers and churches in the eastern section of N. C.:

I suppose you have noticed in an earlier issue, the announcement of the N. C. State Camp Meeting, Sept. 10th to 25th, E. L. Simmons in charge.

I want to insist on every minister in the eastern part of the state to attend this gathering and make this the best camp meeting ever held in N. C. Especially do I request all the preachers to meet me there the 17th and 18th as these will be days for outlining doctrinal points for the ministry, also addresses to the ministry will be delivered and general instructions are to be given by different speakers, for the purpose of drawing the ministers closer together on various lines and to try to pave the way for greater success on every line in the churches and if possible, to obtain a sweeter fellowship in the ranks of the ministry.

Now boys, this only happens once a year and has never happened as it is going to happen this year, so be sure and come. Lay down your work one and all and meet us at the old Washington Camp Ground, where we will give the devil another round. Bring a liberal offering from your church to help meet the expenses of the camp meeting.—Roy E. Blackwood, State Overseer.

## When the Reaping Time Comes

By George Muller—Given at Bristol in his 92d year

"IN THE MORNING SOW THY SEED, AND IN THE EVENING WITHHOLD NOT THINE HAND." That is, "Use any and every opportunity which the Lord is pleased to give thee; seek to redeem the time, for thou hast but one life here on earth, and that brief—very brief—as compared with Eternity; therefore make good use of it." Oh, the blessing that results from attending to this! On every occasion, under all circumstances, after we have sought the Lord's blessing and are in a proper state of heart, let us drop a word for Christ here and there and everywhere, and after we have spoken it, bring it before God again, and again, and again in prayer.

When the reaping time comes, and we find ourselves in glory, that child for whom we prayed will be found there! That aged cripple whom we met incidentally on the road, and to whom we spoke, will be in Heaven. That person in consumption whom we visited every day for a long time, and who gave little or no heed at all to what we had to say, will be found in glory, having at last laid to heart what we spoke so many times to him, and though we had no information about it, God blessed our word. Oh, the multitude of instances we shall find at last when our work, labor, or service has, contrary to natural expectation, been blessed.

I was once standing here about sixty-two years ago, preaching the Word of Life, and after I was through I was cast down because my words seemed to me so cold, so dull, so lifeless. Not till three months after did I hear that through that very address abundant blessing had been brought to nineteen different persons.

But let us carefully see to it that when the reaping time comes there will be something to reap because we have been laboring. If there be no labor, if there be a careless, thoughtless walk, without prayer and crying to God mightily, then let us not be surprised if when the harvest time comes there is no reaping as far as we are concerned. But as assuredly as there has been the crying mightily to God, as there has been the sowing, as there has been the laying out of ourselves for God, most assuredly we shall reap.

"FOR THOU KNOWEST NOT WHETHER SHALL PROSPER, EITHER THIS OR THAT." We know not what God is about to do, because He does not tell us if it is at this or that particular time He will own our labor and service.

"OR WHETHER THEY SHALL BE ALIKE GOOD." God may bless, not merely at one time, but both times. In the morning the work may be commenced, in the evening the Holy Ghost may deepen it, and God may bring double blessing out of our poor feeble service.

In view of the above let us not grow weary in well doing, or slack in our supplication, but let us be more earnest in endeavor, more faithful in prayer, and because we shall reap if we faint not, let us continue to.

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## BRIDLE YOUR TONGUE

"Behold we put bits in the horse's mouths, that they may obey us; and we turn about their whole body. Behold also the ships, which though they be so great, and are driven of fierce winds, yet are they turned about with a very small helm, whithersoever the governor listeth. Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a matter a little fire kindleth and the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity; so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell. For every kind of beasts, and of birds, and of serpents, and of things in the sea, is tamed, and hath been tamed of mankind: But the tongue can no man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison."—James 3:3-8.

God's precious holy book says, all unrighteousness is sin, but of all sin, I do hate tattling and lying. My parents taught me better than to be a tattler or a liar and thank God I have never departed from that teaching. Of all the degraded characters the worst in my estimation is that old sin called tattling and lying, for they both go hand in hand and are of the devil. That old serpent called Satan and the devil, prompts some people to pick up everything they hear and put it in the old tattler's wagon and roll it around over the neighborhood, empty the junk out to their church friends just to stir up strife, cause confusion, headaches, broken hearts and cause some poor soul to live a disagreeable life and their friends to back slide. I would not be an old tattler for all the silver and gold that is in the world nor for all the pretty things. A tattler is a little lower than a rogue. I may talk a lot but I tell the truth and that is why the devil and his co-workers hates me but bless God I am going to stand for the truth if it takes my head for God loves the truth.

Dear reader, while you are delivering your tattler's junk, if you would get on your knees and pray for God to lead you in the straight and narrow path and help you to shun the very appearance of evil and ask for a closer walk with Him all thru life, submit yourself to God, resist the devil and he will flee from you. Draw nigh to God and He will draw nigh to you. "Where no wood is, there the fire goeth out; so where there is no tale-bearer, the strife ceaseth."—Prov. 26:20.

## CHURCH OF GOD

R. A. Fielden, Pastor.

We are having very successful meetings at the Church of God at Chauncey, Ill. The Sunday School is doing fine with Brother Sherman Stout as superintendent.

While the weather has been very bad and roads very muddy and with three Sunday Schools at the same house, through this bad weather our record average of this quarter is sixty-two in attendance. Not so bad after all. You would be surprised when you become acquainted with our board of officers. Brother Stout is superintendent (and he is on the job), then there is Brother J. E. Schimhorn who has charge of the Men's Bible Class, Sister Fielden teaches the Women's Class (and she is of the Church of God), there is Sister Bache with the Young People's Class and she hasn't missed a Sunday. It rained so hard one Sunday that nobody could come, but Sister Bache was there. Sister Ora Paddock has charge of Class No. 3, a fine bunch of boys and girls, and then there is Sister Alta Richey with Class No. 2. You say they are too small, but wait and see. On dedication day Sister Alta and Class No. 2, brought up \$50.00 on the new church. Can you beat that? Sister Schimhorn has the Card Class.

Sunday School Sunday morning at 9:30, morning worship 11:00, evening worship 7:30, prayer meeting Thursday evening 7:30. If you are not in church and Sunday Schools somewhere, you are personally invited by the pastor and members to come worship with us. The Church of God, the home-like church.—Taken from the Sunner Press.

## GRUDGES

Back of and underneath, and at the root of, the fear which "hath torment," is a grudging heart. No one can ever bear a grudge against another without some time tasting of the Bible torment.

What is a grudge, it is an ill-will, discontent at another's pleasure or advantage.

It was necessary that God, in committing the Law to Moses, warn against grudges. "Thou shalt not avenge; nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." His sole reason for the command was—"I am the Lord."

Grudge-bearers invariably inflict suffering upon those against whom they have a quarrel. Herodias had a grudge against John the Baptist. For a time she lacked power to avenge herself. But retaining it in her heart, she found occasion to influence one who had power to silence the testi-

## THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES

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mobiles, air planes, phonographs, radio, wireless telegraphy, radio-phones and thousands of other wonderful inventions. It is amazing to see the things that have come on the scene in the past hundred and fifty years. What will it be at the close of the Millennium period? Truly we are approaching wonderful days.

The glorified saints will not plow, run factories, stores or ride in airplanes during the Millennium. They shall have access to the heavenly Jerusalem that shall rest above the earth. They will be like the Lord in appearance. They will move as Philip did after baptizing the eunuch, and like Jesus did when the people tried to throw Him over a bluff and as He did when He ascended.

The literal affairs of the Millennium will belong to the nations, especially that part that belongs to business. Satan will be bound and the nations will be forced to be good and keep the Feast of Tabernacles.

mony against her.—Mark 6:14-29.

Revenge may be taken in the greatest apparent refinement, so disguised that none but the Discerning Eye can detect it. But sometime the arrow that has been shot with the bow of enmity will be returned laden with the poison it has been sent forth with. To say the least, the echo of a guilty conscience is God's arrow by which He slays the ambitions of proud hearts to excel.

Under the Gospel Dispensation, the warnings are against malice and all that would lead to unkindness and lack of courtesy, and impatience in the service of the Lord. The Apostle James warns against grudges because they invite condemnation (judgment). There is no condemnation to those who are "in Christ," but those holding an ill-will against another are "in themselves," and are paving their way to the judgment seat. "We must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ." "Grudge not one against another, brethren, lest ye be condemned: behold, the Judge standeth before the door." (James 5:9.) With that Judge at the door, there will be no need of witnesses. His presence is sufficient evidence to call forth His sentence. The believer's attitude is to be that of forgiveness under any and all circumstances; "Forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you." (Eph. 4:32.)

There is ample reason, in the human sense of the term, for bitterness and anger to find vent in evil speech and revenge, in this present evil world, for not many have the Spirit of Christ whose tender compassions always seek the welfare of others.

Grudges arise when some one feels he is taken advantage of; that his interests are classed "inferior"; in other words, discontented at another's pleasure or advantage. Horrid disturber of the peace!

How foolish is the temptation to see things in this light! Yet it is one of the most subtle and prevalent among those who do not have the illumination of the Holy Spirit, but harbor the desire to excel.—Phil. 2. It is not possible to conceive that one's interests are classed inferior, unless himself has sought advantage over others. The heart is deceitful. "In Thy light shall we see light."—Ps. 36:9.

When one reaches beyond his measure in ideals, he finds occasion to blame others for standing in his way. Some one has said,

"Jealousy is the little soul's grouch at seeing his own rejected ideals realized in another, and envy is the unwilling respect that inferiority pays to superiority."

To keep within the limits of the grace that is promised "according to the measure of the gift of Christ" is to not fall short of our ideals, and consequently being enabled to "esteem other better than themselves." That is keeping the love of God in the heart looking for the mercy or our Lord.

This Judge at the door is not a dread to a real believer. For while His justice demands His dealing with the thoughts of the heart, and death to the offender, He is also the sin-offering couched there.—Gen. 4:7; John 3:14-16; II Cor. 5:21; Rom. 5:20. Himself has taken the place of death. "Much more then, being now justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him." The only condition to receive and preserve life, is the plea "Guilty," with the hand of faith on the sin-offering.—Selected.

## PRAISE GOD FOR EVERYTHING

RANGER, Texas.—I am glad I am saved, sanctified and the dear Holy Ghost abides. I am praising the dear Lord for everything. I am a member of the dear old Church of God at Desdemona. I don't get to attend church much but I am still filled with His love. I want to be a shining light to some poor sinner.

Brother Adkins is our pastor. We love him and his dear wife. They surely do preach the Bible and that is what I like. We had a meeting at Desdemona. There were several saved and one filled with the Holy

## A GLORIOUS 4TH IN MONTANA

I desire space in the Evangel to report what the Lord did for us on the 3rd and 4th of July. We had been looking forward for sometime to a holiday when we people in town could take a trip to the beautiful mountain country of East Boulder river and enjoy an all day meeting. So something like a month before, Brother Lowe announced a two days service with dinner on the ground. We don't know what to call this meeting, but this we know, that we had a glorious time in the service of the Lord.

On Saturday night of the 2nd the saints began to come from Glaston, and Gibson, 60 miles away. At about 8 o'clock we began to sing and make joyful noise unto the Lord. We had songs, prayers and testimony service conducted by Brother Robert Cook. This service was good, after which Brother Lowe brought the message. Theme: "The Straight Gate and Narrow Road." Everybody seemed to enjoy the message.

On Sunday morning July 3rd at 10 o'clock we had Sunday School. This was enjoyed by all. At 11 o'clock we were gathered for services again. After songs and prayer, Brother Lowe brought the message. Theme: "The Need of Today." This message made all the saints feel the need of drawing closer to our Savior. The presence of the Lord was felt by every one and all had a deeper determination to get closer to the Lord.

In the afternoon about 2 o'clock we had baptismal services in the main Boulder. The water was cold as the river was being fed by the snow from the mountains, but it wasn't cold enough to quench the fire which was burning within the hearts of the candidates. Five were baptized in water. They believed in following the Lord just right. Some of them belonged to churches that believed "just any old way would do for baptism," but these believed in going all the way.

At 3:30 we were back at the school house for services again. After prayers and testimonies, Brother Lowe brought the message using for a Scripture lesson Psalms 15.

Services opened again at 8:00 p. m. After singing and praying, Brother Lowe conducted healing services and while praying for the sick, the power fell and a young girl was sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost for we heard her speak in tongues and prophesy under the power of God.

July the 4th we assembled again at 10 a. m. for the blessings of the Lord. After songs and prayers and a testimony meeting conducted by Bro. Cook, again Brother Lowe brought the message from the text, "Go Forward." This message was wonderful and encouraged us to go forward. The Lord surely anointed Brother Lowe while bringing this message, then the altar call was given and people that were converted and not filled, began to seek more of the Lord.

At 2:30 after a good dinner and ice cream, we were back in the house looking for something better than ice cream and we surely got what we were looking for. Brother Lowe brought another message, theme: "The Last Days." This message helped us to see we were living in the last days and so near the coming of Jesus that we must escape and not stop in the plain, or on the mountain side, but that we should go to the Lord's House. (The Church of God) and live up to the government after we got there. After this service we had a business meeting. There were several charges, but everyone that had sinned, promised to renew their covenant with the Lord if we would give them another chance, so of course that is what we did.

At 8 p. m. we assembled for the last of these wonderful services. After songs and prayers, the Holy Ghost took complete charge and the preacher stepped back and we had an altar service without preaching. At the close of the altar service which lasted till about 11 p. m. we observed the Lord's Supper and the washing of the saints' feet. In the first of this sacred service the folks would weep when they thought of the death on the cross and what it meant to us, but when we washed feet they forgot the sorrow, it seemed, and rejoiced and were happy just like Jesus said they would be. I am sure that this is a 4th that will long be remembered because the Lord was with us from the beginning to the end.

I think most everyone appreciates our pastor. I'm sure that those that like straight preaching, like and appreciate his messages. Now in conclusion we will say that we need more help in this needy field, but our State Overseer will not accept anything only Gophir Wood.

May the blessings of the Lord abide with each of the Evangel readers. Brethren pray for us.—Genevieve Rhoades.

Ghost.

I want everybody to pray for me and my family. Pray that my husband will see the light on holiness. I praise the Lord for keeping us all.—Ella Kitchens, R. 1.



# "THEY OVERCAME HIM BY THE BLOOD OF THE LAMB, AND BY THE WORD OF THEIR TESTIMONY."—REV. 12:11

## JOY BELLS RINGING IN THE SOUL

KANNAPOLIS, N. C.—I thank God for what He is to me right now. I feel the joy bells ringing in my soul. Praise His dear name. I am so glad I ever came to Kannapolis for the saints of God here went to work and prayed for me until they got me awake. One Sunday afternoon I went to the woods a sinner and came back a saved man. I thank God for saving my little girl. I want all of you to pray that we may go on and get all that God has in store for us. Pray that my other children may get saved.

I thank God for healing my body. Last Friday Brother Wiggins came and prayed for me and I was healed instantly. I thank God for having such friends as Brother Wiggins, Brother and Sister Heath and a number of others. We surely do have good services on Sunday nights. We invite all who can to come. We can always take care of you.

I receive many blessings from reading the Evangel. It is real food to my soul. Pray that I may go on to perfection. The Bible tells us that by their fruit ye shall know them. I have shed the crab apple and put on the sweet apple. I want to bear a delicious apple.—B. E. Diggs.

## FOUND A SAVIOUR WHO KEEPS

SHAMROCK, Texas—I praise God because He saw fit to pick me up out of the mire clay and place my feet on the solid rock Jesus. I praise Him for saving a sinner like me. I am so glad because He has healed me of a severe hurting in my neck and shoulder.

I am saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. I am glad I have found a Savior that keeps me from all fear, and for a love that makes me love everybody. There are three of us here and sometimes it seems that we are cast out on the bleak mountains away from the Gospel of Christ. We have no church close and no way to go to church. Please pray that God will send a Church of God preacher close enough for us to go.

I have been praying for God to strengthen my eyes so that I can read His word without glasses. Pray for me.—Mindy Carter.

## HAPPY IN THE LORD

MANATEE, Fla.—I thank the Lord this afternoon for what He is to me. I thank Him for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost. Husband and I are still happy in the Lord. We have been in this way for four years and are trusting the Lord for the healing of our bodies.

Pray much for my husband, he is away from home and doesn't get to attend services very often. The Lord is blessing him, giving him strength to work. He has blessed us with a nice home here and we desire the prayers of the saints that we will be true and humble before the Lord. Pray for my lost sister and brothers that they might get salvation.—Mrs. M. L. Wingate.

## SAVED TO THE UTMOST

BOROUGH BRIDGE, Jamaica—I feel like giving God thanks for saving my soul, not half but to the utmost. The devil had me bound so until I could hardly get away from him but thank my God, I got away and am over on the Lord's side at last.

In 1922 there was a wonderful breaking out of revivals in Jamaica. The Lord sent Brother H. A. Hudson to Mt. Providence parish. The Lord had His way. I myself listened to his sermons but could not realize His saving grace. Yes, dear ones, the devil stole it away from me. When Brother E. E. Simmons came I did not get saved yet, but after he had gone to Kingston, I went to meeting and on the 7th of May 1925 I received a wonderful blessing by which I was fully released from sin. I received the baptism of the Holy Ghost according to Acts 2:4. I thank the Lord for the dear saints. They help me to stand against the old dragon (the devil).

I praise the Lord for His healing power. A little child was very sick, very near death's door and they called for Brother Sears to pray for him. He went and prayed and the child was instantly healed. My wife was sickly but by continuing to trust God for divine healing, she is perfectly healthy. I ask your prayers.—P. Z. Mundle.

## On The Winning Side

BOROUGH BRIDGE, Jamaica—I want to sound a note of praise to God thru the Evangel for His mercy to me. I was once a miserable sinner but thru the grace of God I was convicted of sin and joined the Baptist Church. This was about thirty years ago. I then was baptized and remained in this church for four years. I did not receive any teaching to keep me saved. I believed in the sin and pray religion. I did not know of any higher light.

I fell in sin again and left the

church. Afterwards I joined the Salvation Army and remained in it for three years. I could quarrel and think nothing of it but thank God for the Church of God which came in our district. The Lord saved me and I united with the church. From its teachings I learned about sin and I am on the winning side. Pray for me that I might remain true.—Catherine Christie.

## Was Bound—Now Free

BOROUGH BRIDGE, Jamaica—I thank God because I can report victory thru the blood. I was once a miserable sinner and was bound under the old task master (the devil) but thank the Lord, four years ago He saved me and added me to the Church of God. About two years later He sanctified me and I am asking all of you to pray for me to receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

I want to praise God for divine healing. He miraculously healed me twice. I am now sick with my eyes and ask the prayers of the dear saints for my healing. There is no other doctor for me, but Jesus. Whether life or death I mean to stay in the way. I find it sweeter and sweeter every day. Pray for me that God will keep me firm.—Mrs. Rosline Turner.

## He That Committeth Sin Is Of The Devil

1 John 3:8.

I want to report the wonderful salvation I have obtained, praise the Lord. I was a slave to sin and the devil, without any knowledge of the Truth. In 1922 while in my vile career, Romans 1:8 reached my heart, also the hymn which says, "It is a thing most wonderful to know that God has sent His son from Heaven, who died to save a child like me."

At that time I was a gambler, also guilty of fornication, going on in the world as a beast of the pasture. I was convicted but still continued on in sin. On the 3rd of September I went to a Baptist meeting, I heard a voice calling me. I did not understand how to live from sin, still I wanted to go to Heaven. On the 3rd of January 1923 I married, Brother Hudson came around and taught us the Bible truth and how a man must and can live from sin, according to 1 John 3:8. I found that a man must live from sin and according to Romans 5:1 I found that I could be justified by faith. I pressed on unto sanctification. I realized that He would not walk with the proud and the scornful. I pressed on and glory to God, on the 6th day of February 1924 I received the Holy Ghost according to Acts 10:46.

My companion and mother were unsaved. God helped me to live a good life and they both are now saved. I have faith in the healing power of God. All of my family trusts in divine healing. On the 6th of April our thirteen months old baby began to have fits. He was near death and gasping. I prayed and he recovered but became ill again. Brother Sears laid hands on him and prayed. The power of the Lord came down and the following morning he was healed.

I have been chosen as an evangelist and I ask the prayers of the dear saints that the Lord will keep me humble and help me to preach the everlasting Gospel.—Walter Turner, Borough Bridge, Jamaica.

## DOUBT THE LORD IN NOTHING

WINTER GARDEN, Fla.—I am a sister in Christ, one who is saved, sanctified holy and filled with the Holy Ghost. I am determined to go through with the Lord. Pray that I may hold out faithful, no matter where I am I expect to live for Jesus. He knows all about me and knows that I am living an upright life.

Pray that I might trust Him for all things and doubt Him in nothing and that He will move all hindrances for I mean to go to Heaven. I suffer in my body and ask you to pray that I might be healed.—Cora Mack, R. 1, box 17.

MICCO, W. Va.—I am still on the Lord's side. I know this way is right for I have been saved, sanctified and I am asking all of you to pray that the Lord will give me more power and that I will do more for my Lord than ever before.—Wiley Hill, box 23.

## God Is My Strength

BOROUGH BRIDGE, Jamaica—I was once a miserable sinner but the Lord found me. I thank Him for the blood that washed and cleansed me from all sin. He is my strength, of whom then shall I be afraid? When my father and mother forsake me, He will take me to Himself. I am trying to live a life that pleases the Lord, not by my strength but by the strength of the Almighty.

I thank Him for the living Church of God. The Lord has also healed me many times for which I give Him all the praise and thanks. Please pray for me that I may continue in this way.—Eliza Jordan.

## GO GATHER THE PRECIOUS SHEAVES

BOVINA, Miss.—I praise God today for the precious blood that has been applied to my soul and it keeps me saved every day alike. It is truly a know-so religion. I praise Him for the Evangel. It is real food to my soul. Its pages contain some of the most wonderful sermons I have ever heard and such good old time testimonies which are a treat to my soul, as I never get to go to a Church of God meeting. There has never been any holiness preached around here and it surely is a needy field. I hope and pray God will impress it so deeply on the heart of some real Church of God minister that he will come our way.

You can read in the paper most every week where a great revival has been in progress with several preachers present and at the same time at Bovina and other places, poor lost souls are being hurried into eternity at a break neck speed, unprepared to meet their God. Oh preachers wake up to your duty. How awful it would be if at the judgment some lost soul would point you out and say, "If you had only told me of Jesus, I would have escaped this burning hell." It means something to say your are following the Lord. So wake up and go to the needy fields. If you are trusting Him fully, He'll not let you suffer. You may have a few hard knocks and temptations but just remember that He said He would deliver us if we obeyed.

There is not a church or any place here to preach in except the homes. If you want to come here to preach it would be good to bring a tent. Please remember me in your prayers for I want the Holy Ghost. Also pray for my unsaved husband.

I want to trust the Lord completely for my healing. He healed my baby's hand that was burned very badly and I promised Him I would testify of it thru the paper. I do praise Him for it. Pray for me.—Mrs. Euroline Williams.

## JESUS MAKES FREE

DEKALB, Miss.—I praise the Lord because He picked me up out of sin and set me free. Glory to His blessed name. I am glad to have the privilege of writing a few words about the Church of God. I thank the dear Lord for what He has done for my mother. She thought she was living right until Sister and Brother J. J. Wedgeworth came here and preached a few times for us and on Sunday night about 7:30 mother began to praise God and He took her mind to rest. He is ever ready to answer prayers. Praise His holy name.

Please pray for us to be ready when Jesus comes. Pray that God will send some Holy Ghost preacher out here to preach to us. We need some one badly.—Mrs. B. F. Wedgeworth, R. 3, box 54.

## Truly He is a Wonderful Saviour

BALTIMORE, Md.—I want to praise God for His excellent goodness to the children of men. I thank Him for His wonderful power to save, sanctify and baptize with the Holy Ghost and keep that which we commit unto Him against that day. I praise Him for ever showing us the great Church of God over four years ago. We were in the Pentecostal Church at that time, but thank God we are in the old ship of Zion, marching on. We stand foursquare for the Church of God and all of her teachings.

Truly we can say, He is a wonderful Savior to us. We surely thank God for sending Brother and Sister Bloomingdale to Baltimore to open a Church of God Mission. The work here is progressing at rapid speed. As Joshua of old led the children of Israel around the walls, God is leading us and He is going to command us to shout in due season and Baltimore with all her stubbornness will crumble.

We are having good attendance and expect our hall to be filled to overflowing. We are looking to greater things than these, for He said greater things than these ye shall do because I go to the Father and He is greater than I. Brother H. O. Harris, our pastor, is truly a man of God and loved by all. Pray for us.—Brother and Sister Frock.

## Looking for the Coming of Jesus

ERWIN, Tenn.—I surely do thank the Lord for what He has done for me. I am glad He had mercy on me and saved my soul from sin, sanctified and baptized me with the sweet Holy Ghost. I want to go all the way with Jesus regardless of the cost. I want to be a soul winner for Him. My heart's desire is to spend the rest of my life in working for Jesus and serving Him. I am trying to live the life before my dear family.

Last Friday night I was sitting at the organ praising the dear Lord in songs when the power of the Lord fell and my dear companion and brother-in-law were reclaimed. I was glad they both found the Lord and I want them to go on and get a deeper experience.

I am glad I can say, "I am one of them." I belong to the Church of God and I love her teachings. Last Saturday night we had prayer meeting in a home and one man was saved and another was reclaimed. Jesus is always ready to hear the cries of His children. He is never asleep. I am trusting Him with both soul and body, also for my dear children. Pray for me that I will be just what Jesus wants me to be. Pray for my family.—Mrs. Hollie Markland, R. 1, box 132.

UPLAND, Pa.—I want to testify about what Jesus did for me. I had pneumonia and I promised the Lord if He would heal me I would testify of it. My mother prayed for me all night. Not long after that I was healed in the name of Jesus but I did not testify and became ill again. I decided to keep my promise to God so He would heal me again. Pray for me.—Wentworth Porter, Curdin, St.

## Without Holiness No Man Shall See the Lord

LOUISE, Miss.—I never see much in the paper from this part of the field but I want to say we are standing foursquare for the Church of God and all her teachings. We have had some real good times at this place and are praising God for the great victory which we have won over the world, the flesh and the devil. We know there is but one way and that is the way of holiness. Paul says, follow peace with all men and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord." Heb. 12:14.

"And an highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called 'The way of Holiness'; the unclean shall not pass over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein." Isa. 35:8.

"And I will give them one heart, and one way, that they may fear me forever, for the good of them and of their children after them." Jer. 32:39. Jesus says he that climbeth up any way but by Him, the same is a thief and robber. I am praising God for leading me to the right way, the Church of God. The power of God has been wonderfully manifested here. With best wishes for the saints everywhere, I am your brother in Christ.—John Martin.

## In The Narrow Way

BOROUGH BRIDGE, Jamaica—I have enjoyed reading the Evangel from time to time, but this is my first time to send in my testimony. I want the saints scattered abroad to know what the Lord has done for me. He saved me from sin and as I sit writing my heart is made to rejoice. As I hear the sound of a drum and the crowds of people going to the party, I think of the time when I was among the number going to such fairs. I did not know how degrading it was until the Lord opened my eyes and I looked back from whence I came and knew that I had been blind. It was in 1923 that the Lord saved me and I began to hate the things of the world.

Afterwards the devil began to tempt me and lead me away. I was not able to be out and among the Church of God people for some time and when I did go out I went back with the world. I went to a concert one night and sang worldly songs but I did not realize that I was disobeying God. Brother Samuel Williams came to my home and began to show me the way. I was walking. I went back to church about two miles from home and when I saw those people I decided that their God should be my God. I was determined to enter in at the straight gate and I am striving for that today. The straight and narrow way is the only way one can travel to enter heaven. Jesus says, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." Pray that I might continue in this way till Jesus comes or calls for me.—Emily Davidson.

## BLESSED BE MEN WHO TRUST IN GOD

MARIETTA, Ga.—I would like to put a word in the Evangel that might help others. I am glad that the Church of God is the one that Jesus is coming back for. Peter wanted to bring a division when he said let us build three tabernacles, but God spoke to him and said, this is my Son, hear Him. God wants us to hear Jesus and His words. There have been many Peters since that time who have wanted to build tabernacles for men and hear men instead of Jesus. That is why people are so divided today.

I thank God that I have a salvation that will keep me free from sin. God heals my body at all times. I don't rub, take or smell anything but trust God for all things and He answers my prayers in behalf of others who are suffering.

God wants us to trust Him. "Thus saith the Lord; Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the Lord." Jer. 17:5. Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord. Saints let us fast and pray more and talk less for the temptations of the enemy are getting stronger. It won't be long until Jesus is coming.—Elder A. W. Lay, 203 Montgomery St.

## Determined To Go Thru

KINGSTON, N. C.—I want to praise God for victory in my soul. I am saved, sanctified by the blood and the Holy Ghost abides. I belong to the great Church of God, the one that will stand because it is on the solid rock that God said the gates of hell should not prevail against. I am not afraid to stand on the Word of God for we know that His Word tells us that it is easier for Heaven and earth to pass than one tittle of the law to fail.

Look up dear saints, and shout aloud for the Lord is coming soon for them who stand true. There were some people who started with us but looked back. I am in the way and mean to go thru with Jesus whatever the cost may be. Pray that God may have His way with me.—Mrs. J. W. Wilson.

## Only had Blessing Short Time

N. CHATTANOOGA, Tenn.—I am praising the Lord for free salvation. I am so glad that when I get sick He can heal me; when I get in trouble He can help me. It is so wonderful to serve a Savior like this. I haven't had the blessing very long. I received the Holy Ghost on March 14, 1927. Brother Whittington held a revival in N. Chattanooga. About nineteen received the Holy Ghost. Some were saved and some sanctified. The Lord surely did bless in many ways.

Pray that I might be more determined to go all the way with Jesus.—Delora West, 709 Spears Ave.

## Praising God For Salvation

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.—Praise God. I am still saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. I praise the Lord for this wonderful salvation and for the privilege of praising Him in the beauty of holiness. The Lord has wonderfully blessed me in praying for the sick. The Church has just given me papers to show I am a worker for God. The Lord blesses me wonderfully. By God's help I am going over the top.

I truly thank God because I knew His voice when He called. And I have fear in my soul because I want to stand true and not do anything that might kindle the wrath of God. He feeds my soul and I could not live without Him. I am on fire for Jesus, and want to do His will. I want to stay humble before Him so He can use me to the good of His glory, and that my light might shine. And I want to be a messenger and servant for Him, and with God's help and thru my prayers I know I will be on my way soon.

All praying people pray for me that I might stay in the center of the Lord's will. When Bible School opens I expect to be there to attend. I want wisdom from God so I can tell of this wonderful salvation to the world.—Maude Peterson, 2245 Orchard St.

## SPECIAL NOTICE

This is to notify the public that T. S. Stone is no more a member of the Church of God and his credentials have been revoked.—C. F. Bright, pastor and district overseer of the Jacksonville Dist., 2346 Dennis St., Jacksonville, Fla.

## Laborers Needed

BRUNSWICK, N. C.—I want to praise God, thru the Evangel I love so well, because He hears and answers the cries of His children. This is a new field for the Church of God; there are only three of this faith here. We came here from Dillon, S. C. Jan. 1924 and began to have prayer meetings. It seemed so discouraging sometimes but the Lord heard and the folks began to attend prayer services and last week, July 24th, the Lord sent Brother John H. Daniels here to preach the Word, and he preached with Holy Ghost power.

The meeting continued just one week and closed Sunday night. There were no open results but seed have been sown. Most every one seemed to love Brother Daniels. This is a good field and laborers are needed. Many were under conviction and many are looking for Brother Daniels to come this way again. These are hospitable people and anyone who is a real true Church of God worker will be treated nice. Brother A. Duncan came in and preached three soul stirring sermons, also our Sunday School superintendent was a good help and others of the Baptist faith. We are expecting great things ahead.

We are worshipping in a school building. We have a union Sunday School as this is a new place. Praise the Lord for full salvation tonight that keeps me and for the abiding Comforter and the Church of God. I have been a member since 1923. I also praise Him for healing power. He healed my daughter's eyes; she had to wear glasses and the eye specialist said she could never attend

## FIRE BURNING BRIGHTLY ON ALTAR

DEUCHER, Ohio.—I truly thank God for deliverance from our oppressors and such a sweet complete victory. I am glad that "whom the Son sets free is free indeed" and I am sure the dear old church will rise to heights undreamed of and shall go by leaps and bounds toward the goal. I couldn't believe that God would suffer His cause to be defrauded and I praise Him for answering prayer, for I am sure many prayers besides my own ascended unto the throne.

Sister Fay Sease of Dayton held a two weeks meeting at Marietta, Ohio and I am sure much good was done. Some of the seed sown bore visible fruit while eternity will reveal the good that shall yet develop as a result of these services. The fire burned brightly on the altar and the power fell in a mighty way. The church is greatly encouraged and built up and the dear saints were made to dance and leap with joy as precious souls prayed thru to victory. Each conversion was so glorious and when the dear ones would get sanctified or filled with the Holy Ghost it was certainly wonderful how joy flowed in each heart. Our pastor's son, who had been saved and sanctified but had backslidden, was gloriously reclaimed and filled with the Holy Ghost. Another precious young boy came to the altar the first Sunday night of the revival and after several nights of hard struggling he was saved in such a blessed way. I only wish I had time and words to describe each one as they would strike fire. It was heavenly and such floods of glory as would surge thru each heart cannot in anyway be expressed.

The devil was stirred too and people would congregate about the door, mocking and making all manner of fun but it seemed the more they would do the louder the praises would roll, thank God. One man said we ought to have a stick of dynamite under us but that didn't stop us in the least, for we're serving a God who is greater than all the devil's artillery. Complaints were made to police headquarters about cars being parked out in front without lights even though a big electric light over the church door was burning all the time, but nothing ever came of it. The chief came out and explained things to our pastor and said he would stand by us, that we had a right to worship as we pleased and no one was allowed to disturb religious services of any kind. He said all we had to do, if the crowds became unruly was to give them a call and they would come out and get them. Nothing is able to stop the Church of God for Jesus has said not even the gates of hell should prevail against her. The louder the devil howls, the greater will be the victory, hallelujah!

A sinner boy, a friend of Bro. Nicely's son who was so happily reclaimed in this revival, was taken ill with pneumonia. As soon as James heard of this he went to see him and found him very sick, so he asked him if he should pray for him, but the boy did not seem to want him to pray then. He then went to a sister's home next door and before he got inside the mother sent word for him to come back and pray for her son. He went and began to pray, the boy having said he believed. After praying a while he asked if he felt better and the boy said he didn't know. He prayed again and asked again if he felt better and received the same answer. He prayed the third time harder than before and when he had finished the boy said he felt much better. That evening just before church James went back to see him, the fever was gone and the boy said he felt like getting up but the doctor had forbidden it. The next day he sat up a while, saying with the exception of being weak, he felt fine. It surely is wonderful how good and merciful God is to sinners. How glad I am to be serving such a God, bless His dear name forever.

There is a precious man near my home who has been confined to his bed for something like twenty-two months for whom I want all who believe in and practice divine healing to pray that he may be raised up every whit whole. A brother and I have been to see him several times and each time we would sing, read and pray. Wednesday night two of the brethren and myself went to see him and after reading and singing, we anointed him and laid hands on him, the Lord blessed wonderfully and the Holy Ghost witnessed. He said he felt much better than before. Don't fail to pray for this man for nothing would glorify the name of the Lord nor further His cause more than the healing of this man. Then too, he has a family to support and it would be such a great blessing to them and to him who has had to suffer so long.

I have had the Holy Ghost about four years and am still on fire for God. God bless all is my prayer.—Maymie Patterson.

school without them, but praise God she has. Pray for us over here and for our unsaved loved ones that they may come in the fold before it is too late.—Mrs. Mary Powers.



## OBITUARIES

## SMITH

On March 4, 1927 the death angel made his entrance into the home of my father and claimed our dear grandmother, Serry J. Smith. She was born July 20, 1849 and lived a good life. In the year of 1920 she received the Holy Ghost and came into the Church of God. She died in the faith talking in tongues.

She leaves a son and ten grandchildren to mourn her death. Grandmother will be missed by all who knew her but she has gone over in the great beyond to live with Jesus and the host of heaven. We expect to meet her over there. She is gone but not forgotten.

Dear Grandmother how we miss you, No one on earth can tell; But Heaven's host loved you best, And came and took you home.—Her grandson, H. G. Smith, Bridgeport, Ala.

## MCREA

On March 19th the death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister McRea and took their little girl. She was nine years old. She was a sweet child and loved by everybody that knew her. She went to Sunday School and loved her teacher, Sister Oliver. Brother and Sister McRea are both members of the Church of God at this place. Little Velra Mae was sick but a short time with blood poison. She had lots of faith and would often call for prayer and say Jesus could heal her. The saints prayed for her several times but God wanted little Velra to live with Him.

Our hearts are made sad but we don't grieve as those who have no hope for we know she was just a bud on earth to bloom in Heaven. All was done that loving hands could do but God knew best and took her home unto Himself. She was laid to rest in Pilsby Cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.

Our darling has gone and left us to that bright and happy shore, But we'll meet again together where we'll never part no more. Our darling we will miss you as we travel in this life, And our eyes with tears will dim but her eyes are full of light.

Mark, beyond the waters calling do you hear the pious cry? Do you know that souls are dying while no arm to save is nigh? There in darkest night they wander far from hope and truth and God, Countless millions grope in sorrow in the path their fathers trod.

There are souls with heavy burdens, hearts that break beneath the load, Courage fails and all hopes perish in that dark and thorny road; God in tenderest love beholds them and His heart in pity cries, For he gave His son a ransom for every captive soul that dies.

Will you not my brother, sister lend to them a helping hand? Will you not the precious Gospel send to that benighted land; Help some soul that now must perish if this hope you do not send, Help some sad heart to find the Savior, find Him a precious friend. Her aunt, Mrs. Emery Cook, Carbon Hill, Ala.

## SAPP

On April 22, 1927, the death angel saw fit to visit the home of Sister Mary Ann Sapp and claim her dear husband, Moses Sapp. He was born Aug. 9, 1850, age forty-six years, eight months and thirteen days. He was converted and belonged to the Missionary Baptist church until eight years ago when he was sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and became a member of the Church of God. He was a faithful member and leader until death. His place in the church cannot be filled. He was loyal in every part of church and Sunday School work.

His death was caused from a nail in his right foot. Nine days before his death he was at church with a happy face and encouraging words. He was always on time. He told his wife that a voice had called him and said that he must go. He said that he did not feel uneasy for he had promised the Lord eight years ago that he would be ready to go when it was His will not to heal him. The saints prayed earnestly for him. He said that he did not feel at all dreadful for the Lord's will to be done. He would join in the singing and rejoice and speak in tongues. His jaws were locked part of the time. He told the seekers to seek on and the saints to hold up the standard. Many unsaved ones remarked that they would be willing to die several times if they could die as he did. He is gone but not forgotten.

He leaves a wife, one adopted son, two sisters, six brothers and a host of relatives and friends to mourn his death. The funeral service was conducted at the Church of God by Brother David LaFleur, Brother Leo Cooper, Brother Jas. Wallace and others. The body was laid to rest in the cemetery at this place. We sorrow not as those who have no hope for we know we shall see him again where partings will be no more.—Bessie Frinks, Jupiter, Fla.

## CARTER

On January 16, 1927 the death angel visited our midst and claimed our own dear mother, Mrs. Charles Carter. She was nearly sixty one years old and had been a faithful and dear mother to us. We hated to give her up but the Lord's will must be done. She was saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost in 1921 and many times I have seen her dance under the power. She was ill almost a year with paralysis but she seemed to be satisfied for the Lord to have His way. We called the doctor for her several times but she seemed to rely on the Word of the Lord more than she did on the doctor and said she was willing to suffer for Jesus as He had suffered so much for her. She told us that she was going home to the promised land.

We weep not as those who have no hope for we feel that our loss is Heaven's gain. The funeral service was conducted by Brother Reuben Sweat of Odum, Ga. and her remains were laid to rest in the Piney Grove Cemetery to await the resurrection. She leaves to mourn her death five children, ten grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Thou art gone our precious mother, How we miss you from this place But across the shining river We will meet you face to face.

It was hard to see you leave us You have been with us so long, But you've passed away to glory, All your trials on earth are over,

Now you're singing round the throne, All your earthly cares are done, You are now at home in glory Wearing the golden crown you've won.

You were such a precious mother Always loving kind and true Speaking words of cheer and comfort And each word was always true.

Now the Lord saw fit to take you Out of all your toils and care For you suffered on earth daily That is why he took you there.

You have now met your dear husband Your loving children too For it's been so many years They have waited there for you.

So dear mother you are waiting In that land of peace and rest And when we get there dear mother Won't you clasp us to your breast? Won't that be a happy meeting With the ransomed and the blest?

So rest on dear mother From your trials in this land In that bright celestial city It was made by God's own hand.

And we'll meet you there dear mother In that land of purest gold. In the bright celestial city 'Tis the homeland of the soul.—Her daughter, Mrs. W. J. McMillan, Redland, Ga.

## WESTBERRY

On April 16th the death angel visited the home of Mr. Jessie Westberry and took away his mother, Mrs. Winnie V. Westberry age sixty-seven years. She leaves to mourn her death one brother, three sons and one daughter. She was a member of the Freewill Baptist church and walked in all the light she had. She left the statement that she was ready to go. Her death was caused by heart dropsy. All was done for her that loving hands could do but God knew best and called her out of this world of pain and sorrow.

The funeral service was conducted by Brother Earl Paulk and the remains laid to rest in the Memorial Cemetery to await the coming of Jesus.—One who loved her, Mrs. W. G. O'Quinn, Surrency, Ga.

## HARRIS

On April 20, the death angel knocked at the door of Brother and Sister Carrie Harris's home and claimed little Dorothy Harris age one year and sixteen days. Her suffering lasted two weeks. They trusted God to the end and it was hard to give her up but He knows all things and doeth all things well for them that love Him. He looked down and saw this little bud, plucked it and carried it away to bloom in the glory world. We have a hope of meeting her again.

Dorothy leaves to mourn her death a father, mother, two brothers and two sisters. May God bless and console them. We know our loss is heaven's gain. The remains were laid to rest in the Overstreet Cemetery. Brother S. C. Chambers conducted the funeral service. Many friends gathered around to say a last farewell but I am sure that we will go some day to live with her and Jesus where partings are all over.

Our home is sad and lonely A voice we love is still A place is vacant in our home That never can be filled.—One that loved her, Vera Herndon.

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MILLEN, Ga.—When I sent in my license a long time ago I wrote Bro. Lee that I thought I was doing the right thing. I told him that if at any time I saw I had done wrong that I would ask forgiveness. I thought I was doing right and I walked with the Lord and obeyed His voice with what little light I had. I thought I had the light and saw the Church of God but I am obliged to confess that I never had the light on the Church of God. I carried Church of God license for years and preached it in many different states but was blind as a mole. I never knew what the real Church of God was until a few weeks ago.

After I came out and had my name erased from the church books in Augusta, Ga., some of the saints wrote me many times and asked me to come back in to the church. I said, "No, I can not make a move until God shows me." I would not let any man or woman lead me anywhere nor I would not take anyone's word for anything. I wanted to do the right thing and I knew that man was as likely to be mistaken as I was. So I waited on God to reveal the truth to me. I went to work and worshiped among other saints who call themselves Pentecost. They do not believe in being organized. Some of them call themselves one thing and some another. I came to the conclusion that it did not make any difference what you were called just so you were alright with God and that it did not make any difference about being organized. I thought there was no use in it. Oh, glory to God, I have learned better. I thank God for the lesson He taught me. He knew my heart was honest and that I wanted to do only that which was right in His sight.

Sometimes the way was so dark that I could not make a step. I had to stand still and wait on God. I was afraid if I tried to go a step without seeing or the Lord carrying me that I would sink in the mire. Many times Jesus would have to take me in His everlasting arms and carry me. Deut. 33:27. I praise Him for His wonderful love to the children of men. I'm so glad He let it all come about as He did. It has caused me much suffering and tears but I say, Amen Jesus it had to come to show me the light and teach me the lesson that I needed and had to learn." A school teacher has to have an education to teach and of course we know an education costs a good price so with the Gospel work, the husbandman must first be partaker himself. I praise the Lord for everything. "In everything give thanks for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you." 1 Thes. 5:18. And again for we know that all things work together for good to them that love God. I knew I loved Him so I went on to Maine, I preached the Gospel in every place I got a chance, on the streets of large cities, in mission halls and everywhere I could. I kept crying to God to lead me in a plain path and take me through no matter what the cost. I begged Him daily to give me wisdom, knowledge and understanding of His precious word and He answered prayer. I said, "Lord all you have to do is to show me a thing or tell me to do a thing and I'm on the job. It is right to be organized. You make it so plain to me that I can't be deceived and whatsoever is your will concerning me I'll do it if it kills the old devil and every-

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one of the little devils." I kept praying and God kept talking to me. I was just a little bit hard-headed and self-willed but did not realize it at first. Pretty soon God showed it to me and I went down before Him and cried out for a complete crucifixion. He heard and began to work. I kept as still as I could. Sometimes the nails would be so painful that I would wiggle around and almost pull myself off the cross but I'd realize it and cry for the Lord to hold me no matter how much I tried to free myself. I told Him that I wanted to be dead to sin and self and alive unto God. He gave me Psalms 138:8 "The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me." When I got willing and laid aside all of my ideas and opinions and left everything to God that I did not understand then He gave me more light. I knew that He could make the crooked straight and the wrongs right.

I'm glad that He made me willing and let me see that I was standing out rebellious (not knowing it of course.) I said, "Lord no longer will I stay out and keep your precious heart grieved and your precious body divided. I won't be one of the many that are dividing your body with one limb in one place and another limb somewhere else. I'll do anything to bring your body together I don't care what I have to suffer." He suffered more for me than I can ever suffer for Him. I have prayed for about eleven years for the Lord to draw me closer to

Him and make Himself more real to me, make me more like Him and let me know what He really was worth to me. I wanted a deeper experience of salvation. I didn't realize what it was going to cost but I'm willing to pay the price for I know Heaven will be cheap at any cost. God showed me that it meant so much to be a member of His body. We lack pity, love and compassion that I find is meant for those who are members of His body. It means more than to just have your name on the church book. Some will have their name put on the book and then will turn around and stab some little lamb through and through with their tongue and say this lamb had the wrong spirit because their name was not on the church book when maybe they haven't the light and don't want to do something that they don't just understand.

I'm afraid too many are lifting up the name and not the body. I want to exalt Him. I want this lost world to get a glimpse of Him who said, "Other sheep I have that are not of this fold them also I must bring and they shall hear my voice."

Brother C. G. Culpepper and Brother and Sister Horton came to Sylvania, Georgia where I was battling against the combined forces of darkness. I came with them to Long Branch where Brother Culpepper is pastor and had him to take me in the church and they gave me the right-hand of fellowship just like the church did Paul

## REQUEST

I want the praying people to pray for my mother-in-law and her two little boys who have been having chills. My mother-in-law and one of the boys have the love of God in their souls. The Lord has called her to help in meetings and her husband is in sin. Pray for him, also that God will make a way for her to go out and help some lost soul.

Pray for me and for my husband that he might be saved. The Lord is all in all to me.—Mrs. Grace Duke, Monette, Ark., R. 1, box 103.

I want to request a special prayer thru the Evangel that I might be healed of a severe catarrh of the head. I am saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and a strong believer in divine healing.—Your brother in Christ, Chas. Eldridge, 1004 S. 6th St., Mt. Vernon, Ill.

I am asking the readers of this piece to please pray for me that I may be healed of a pain in my left side which has been bothering me for several years and which seems to get worse all the time. I know that the Lord can heal and I want to trust Him.—L. C. Welch, R. F. D. 4, Baton Rouge, La.

long, long ago. I am writing this to assure all the dear saints everywhere that I am in full fellowship with the Church of God. I was healed during the Assembly. I ask everyone to forgive me for any hard unkind words I said of them or any unkind thoughts I had of them. Especially do I ask forgiveness of Brother Lee, Brother Lemons and Brother Llewellyn for I thought very hard of you and misjudged and misrepresented you at different times. I humbly ask forgiveness of all. Pray for me that I will ever be found doing the will of the Lord.—Fannie Duncan, R. No. 3.

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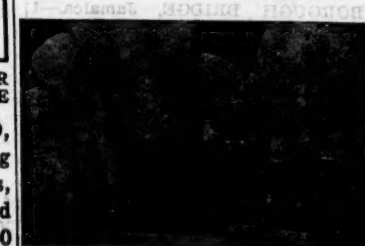
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